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PHEW! I ALWAYS GET THESE NIGHTMARES JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS... IMAGINING WHAT CAN GO WRONG!

LIKE THE TIME I POURED CUSTARD OVER A BALLOON INSTEAD OF THE CHRISTMAS PUD!

EVERYTHING WENT WELL UNTIL I STUCK THE HOLLY ON!

BANG!

THEN THERE WAS THE YEAR I IMAGINED THE CHRISTMAS TREE WOULD DIE...

SO I GAVE IT A CHRISTMAS TREAT... PLENTY OF PLANT FOOD!

BUSTER!

AND OF COURSE THERE WAS THE YEAR I PUT LANDING LIGHTS ON THE ROOF, IN CASE SANTA AND RUDOLPH GOT LOST!

HOW WAS I TO KNOW A 'PLANE WOULD LAND THERE?!

SO THIS YEAR, I'M NOT GOING TO WORRY – AND EVERYTHING WILL BE JUST PERFECT! NO DISASTERS – YOU'LL SEE! CHEERS, EVERYONE!

COLD COKE FROM THE FRIDGE!

AAGH! WHO LEFT THE FRIDGE DOOR OPEN!! THE CAT'S EATEN THE TURKEY AND THE TRIFLE!

WRONG AGAIN, BUSTER!

Melvyn's MIRROR

I GOT AN ACE PRESENT FROM SANTA!

COME AND MEET SANTA

MIRRORLAND SHOPS HAVE SANTAS, TOO, MELVYN! COME ON THROUGH!

GREAT! I WILL!

AND WHAT'S IN THE PARCEL, LITTLE BOY?

A VIDEO GAME!

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! JUST WHAT I WANT!

EH?

SNATCH!

IN MIRRORLAND, WE GIVE PRESENTS TO SANTA!

COO!

TO SANTA

LATER...

HOWL! SOB!

OOER! WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM?

WAAAH! SOMEONE SAID THE KIDS WHO VISIT ME AT CHRISTMAS AREN'T REAL!

SAD! STILL, HE HAD TO FIND OUT SOME TIME!

YOU DON'T MEAN..?!

YES!

HOWL!

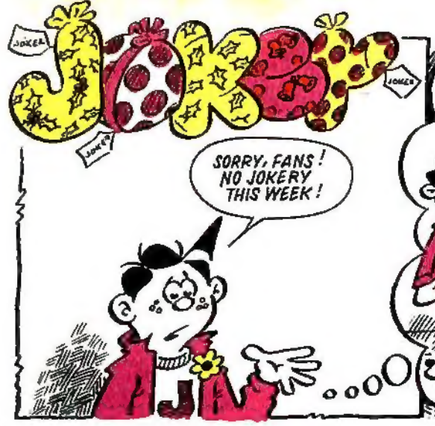
ALL OF US KIDS ARE LITTLE SANTAS DRESSED UP!

AARGH!

YOU MAY AS WELL TAKE OFF YOUR MASK, TOO!

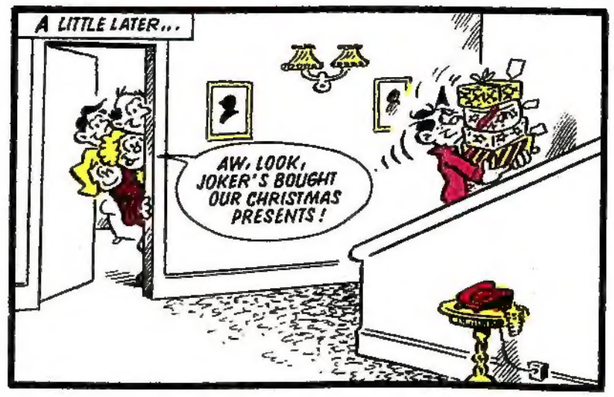
CHUCKLE!

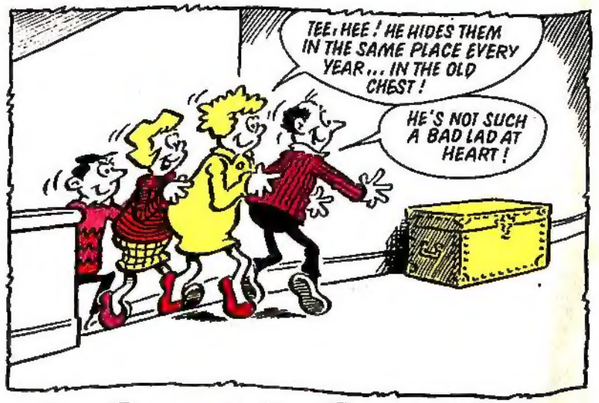
PHEW! I LOVE SANTA, BUT I DON'T WANT TO BE ONE!

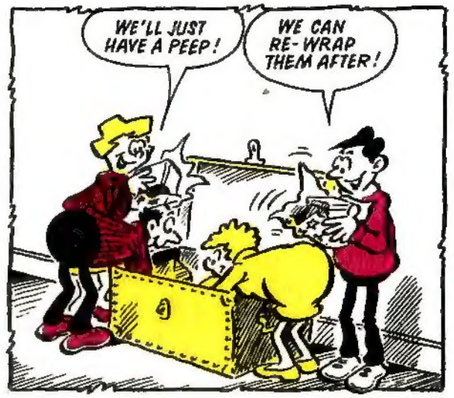

JOKER
SORRY, FANS! NO JOKERY THIS WEEK!

NO MORE JOKES... OR NO CHRISTMAS PRESSIES FOR YOU!
I'M BEING BLACKMAILED!

IT'S GONNA BE DEAD BORING FROM NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS ... UNLESS ...


A LITTLE LATER...
AW, LOOK, JOKER'S BOUGHT OUR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!


TEE, HEE! HE HIDES THEM IN THE SAME PLACE EVERY YEAR... IN THE OLD CHEST!
HE'S NOT SUCH A BAD LAD AT HEART!


WE'LL JUST HAVE A PEEP!
WE CAN RE-WRAP THEM AFTER!

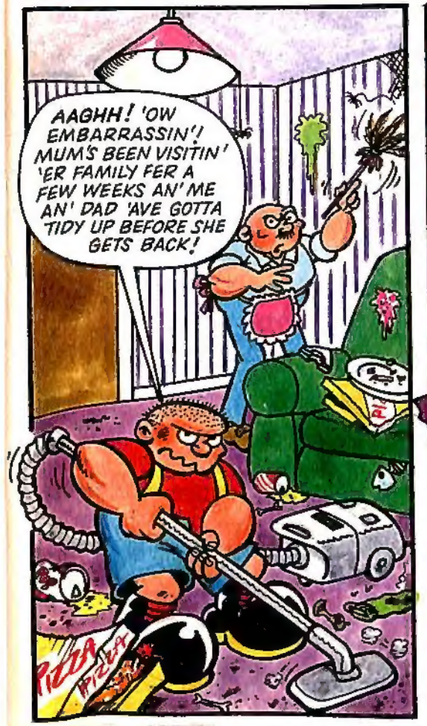
POW!
ITCH!
KADOOOMPH!
PYOING!
YUK, YUK!
SNEEZE!
TIGGLE!
ITCH!
PONG!
PONG!

GRR! THAT DOES IT!
A LEOPARD CAN'T CHANGE HIS SPOTS!
NO CHRISTMAS PRESSIES FOR HIM!

BUT THEN...
OH, THOSE WEREN'T OUR PRESSIES AT ALL!
THEY'RE JOKER'S... FROM HIS MATES!
TO JOKER MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM
TO JOKER FROM HIS DEAR SIR

TAKE A TIP FROM ME, JOKE FANS... LEARN TO DISGUISE YOUR WRITING! ARF, ARF!
SID BURGON

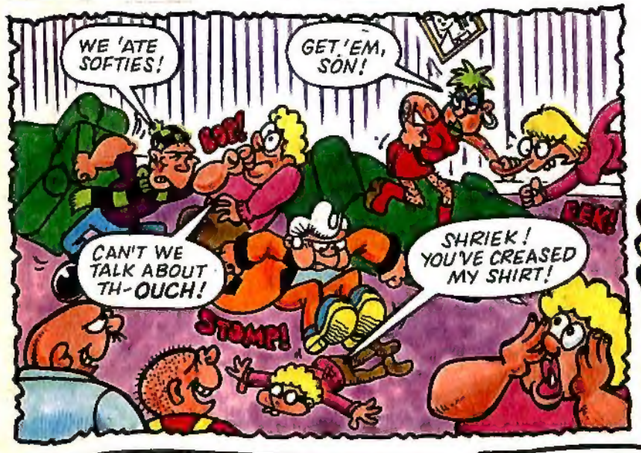
TOM THUG
The BRAINLESS BULLY


AAGHH! 'OW EMBARRASSIN'! MUM'S BEEN VISITIN' 'ER FAMILY FER A FEW WEEKS AN' ME AN' DAD 'AVE GOTTA TIDY UP BEFORE SHE GETS BACK!

SURPRISE! SURPRISE! I'VE BROUGHT MY FAMILY BACK TO STAY WITH US OVER CHRISTMAS!
OH NO!!

THEM WIMPS WILL RUIN OUR CHRISTMAS!
I'VE GOT A PLAN, DAD! INVITE YOUR FAMILY OVER AN'... (whisper)...

LATER...
MY FAMILY'S STAYIN' WIV US OVER CHRISTMAS AS WELL!
Ever-so polite EEK!
GRR! WOT YOU LOOKIN' AT, WIMPS?


WE 'ATE SOFTIES!
GET 'EM, SON!
CAN'T WE TALK ABOUT TH-OUCH!
STOMP!
SHRIEK! YOU'VE CREASED MY SHIRT!

STOP! STOP THIS AT ONCE!
HUR, HUR!

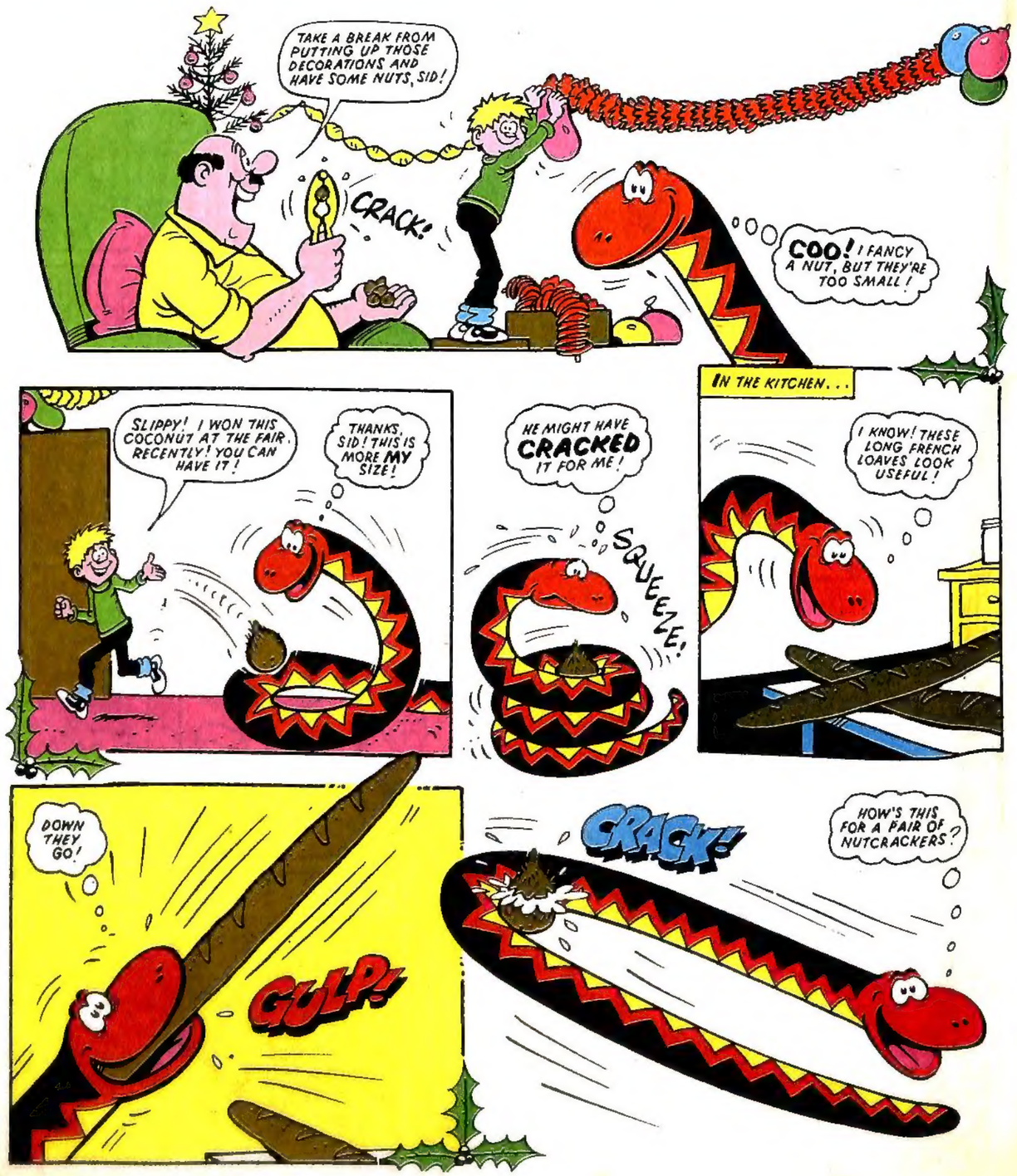
NOW MUM WILL CHUCK 'EM ALL OUT 'AN WE'LL 'AVE SOME PEACE AT CHRISTMAS!
YER! THE PLAN WORKED, SON!

NO FIGHTING AT CHRISTMAS! YOU CAN ALL STAY HERE IF YOU PROMISE TO BE FRIENDS!
FAIR ENUFF!
NO HARD FEELINGS, OLD CHAP!
AW, NO!!

PITY WE'VE NO SPARE BEDROOMS, AND THE SOFA AND CHAIRS ARE WRECKED! WHERE WILL THEY ALL SLEEP?

SO, THE LADIES SHARE WITH MUM, AND...
SNORE!
ZZZ
GRUNT!
SNORE
BAH! EVERY TIME ONE OF 'EM TURNS OVER I GET KICKED OUTTA ME OWN BED! ME AN' MY DAFT IDEAS!
SPLAT!

SID'S SNAKE



THUNDERCAP

X-RAY SPECS

HMM... I THOUGHT THE GIRLS HAD GIVEN UP PLAYING WITH DOLLS!

OHO! SHE'S SMUGGLING FIZZY DRINKS!

AND, A MINUTE LATER...

NOW THERE'S SARAH WITH A PRAM FILLED WITH CRISPS! I KNOW WHAT THEY'RE UP TO!

WHAT AM I DOING ON THIS PAGE?

HI, RAY! WHAT'S THE PANIC?

CURLY! CALL THE LADS TOGETHER... NOW!

AND...

RIGHT! LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'VE GOT IN YOUR POCKETS!

EH?

OKAY, SO NONE OF YOU HAVE INVITATIONS!

INVITATIONS TO WHAT?

I RECKON THE GIRLS ARE HAVING A PARTY... AND WE'RE NOT INVITED!

WHAT? I INVITED THEM TO MY LAST BIRTHDAY PARTY... I THINK!

SHORTLY...

WE'LL GATECRASH!

RIGHT! BUT FIRST WE'VE GOT TO FIND OUT WHOSE HOUSE IT'S IN!

IT'S NOT AT JACKIE'S!

THEN...

I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD BE AT CASSIE'S HOUSE... THOSE LITTLE BROTHERS OF HERS ARE TOO MUCH OF A MENACE!

ON AGAIN...

AND CLARE'S DAD WOULD SCOFF ALL THE NOSH!

SO IT'S GOT TO BE AT SARAH'S HOUSE!

RIGHT! LET'S GO!

YES! THERE THEY ARE! HOLD ON, THOUGH!

OH, NO!

IT'S... ER... NOT THE SORT OF PARTY WE'D BE WELCOME AT!

BLUSH!

IT'S... AHEM... A PYJAMA PARTY!

DO WHAT?

COME ON, RAY, LET'S BORROW YOUR SPECS!

YEAH! WE WANT TO SEE FOR OUR-SELVES!

10p!

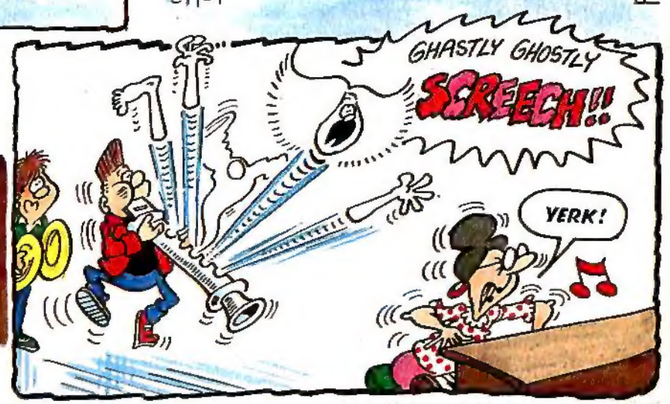
NO CHANCE!

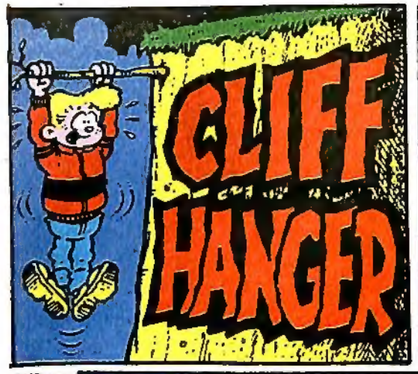
X-RAY UNIT

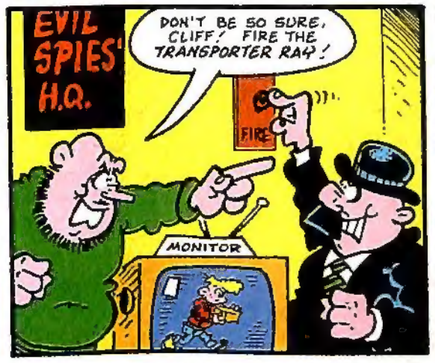
IF THEY EVER FOUND OUT, I'D BE THE ONE NEEDING TO BE X-RAYED!

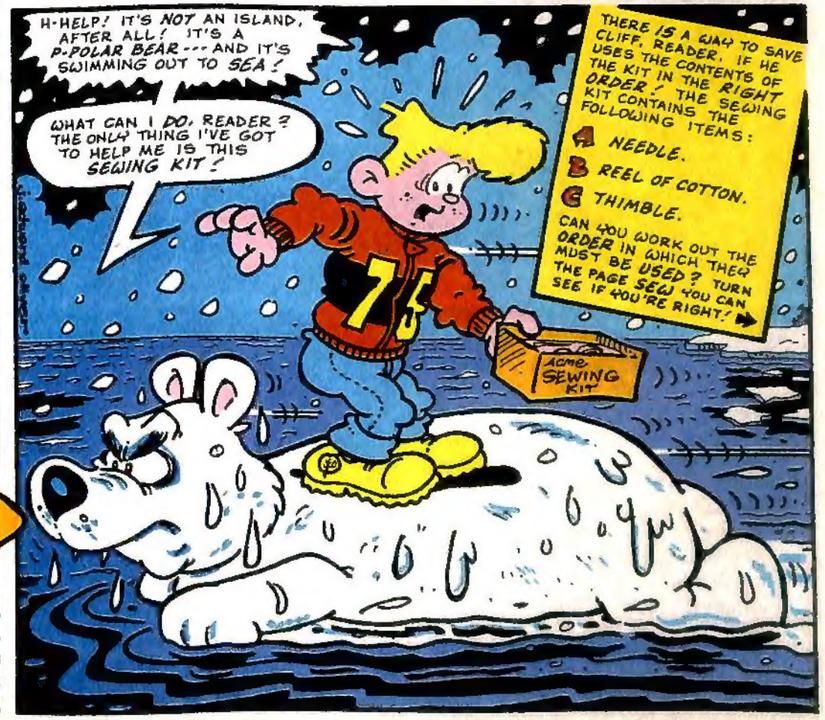
AND THE SAME APPLIES TO YOU, READERS! NO PEEPING!

BOBBY'S GHOUL









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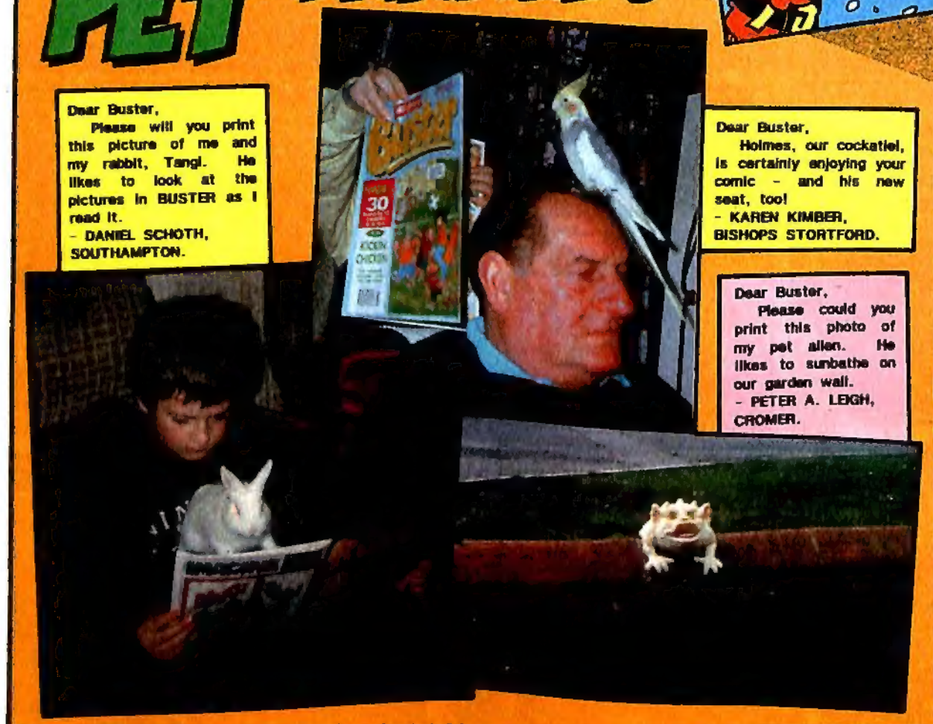
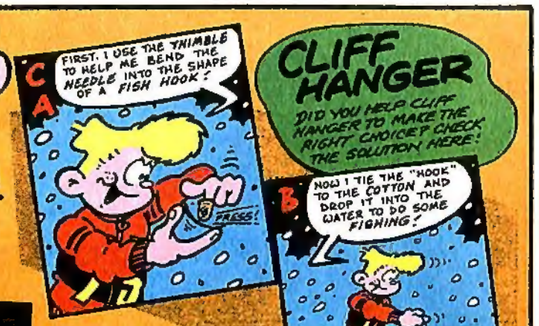


Dear Buster,
Please will you print this picture of me and my rabbit, Tangi. He likes to look at the pictures in BUSTER as I read it.
- DANIEL SCHOTH, SOUTHAMPTON.

Dear Buster,
Holmes, our cockatiel, is certainly enjoying your comic - and his new seat, too!
- KAREN KIMBER, BISHOPS STORTFORD.

Dear Buster,
Please could you print this photo of my pet alien. He likes to sunbathe on our garden wall.
- PETER A. LEIGH, CROMER.



CLIFF HANGER

DID YOU HELP CLIFF HANGER TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE? CHECK THE SOLUTION HERE:

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BRAIN BUSTERS

GOOD KING WENCESLAS. SILENT NIGHT. O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL. THE FIRST NOWELL. HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING. AWAY IN A MANGER.

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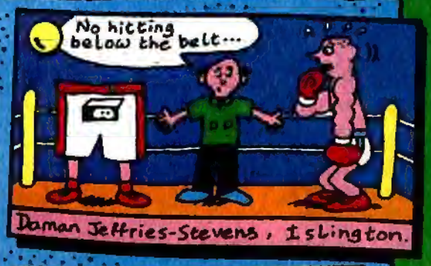

Daman Jeffries-Stevens, Islington.

Who looks after spooks on an aircraft?
An air ghostess.
From David Langborne, Shanklin.
Hallo to Mum and my dog Suzy.

Dear Buster,
Please print my picture of Tom Thug in your mega-cool comic!!!

Dawn Davis, Rotherham

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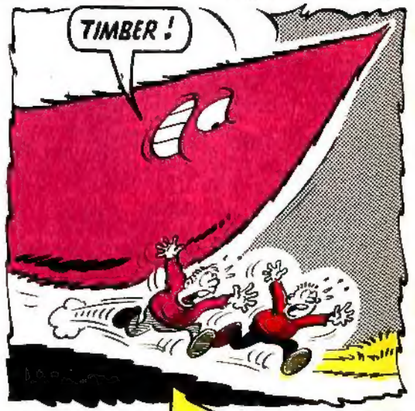
Odd-Ball



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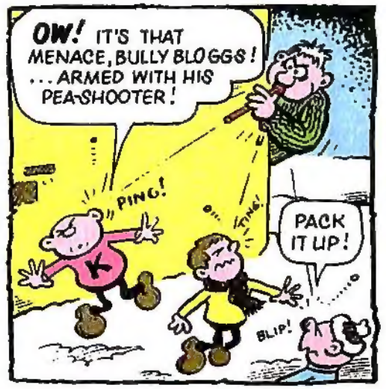

THE CRAZIEST CHARACTERS ARE ALWAYS IN BUSTER COMIC

VIRGIL REALITY

THESE DRIVING SIMULATOR GAMES ARE SO REALISTIC!

VROOM!

WOAH!

ZAP!

WAY TOO REALISTIC!

VOOOM!

WAAGGH!

HOW DO I CONTROL THIS WITHOUT A JOYSTICK?

SWERVE!

GLULP! IS THERE A **TOILET SIMULATOR** ROUND HERE?

SCREECH!

SKID!

I WANNA MAKE A PIT STOP! I WANNA MAKE A PIT STOP!

PHEW! IT'S PULLING OVER!

OVER THE EDGE!

CROCODILE PIT

YIPE! THIS IS **NOT** THE KIND OF PIT I HAD IN MIND!

SNAP! SNAP!

THOSE GUYS DON'T LOOK LIKE THEY'RE HERE TO CHANGE MY TYRES!

SLURP! I LOVE THESE **DRIVE-IN** SNACK JOINTS!

NEAT BIT OF PARKING, HUH?

GLUMP!

SPTOOZ

WOW! AM I GLAD TO BE OUT OF THAT!

OI, YOU!

UH?

AAAAAGGH! HOW DID I GET **HERE?**

POLICE

PULL OVER!

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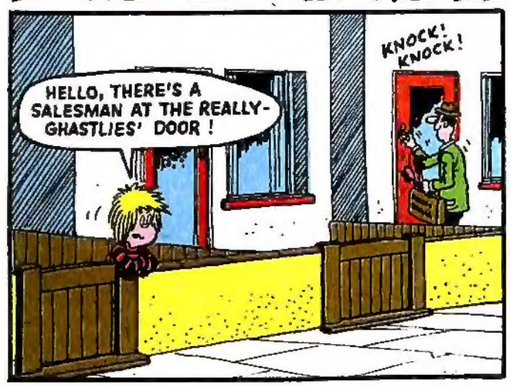
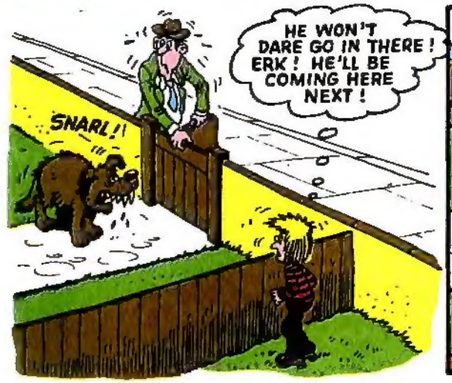
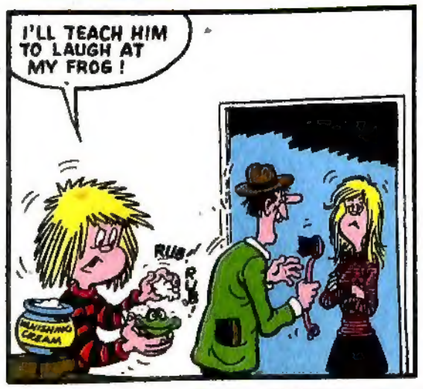
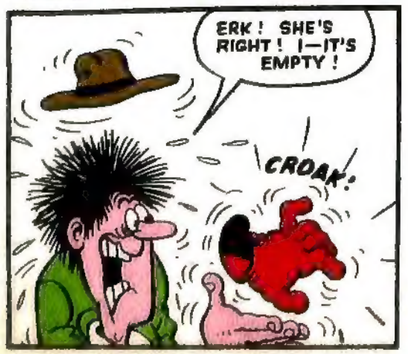
VAL'S VANISHING CREAM









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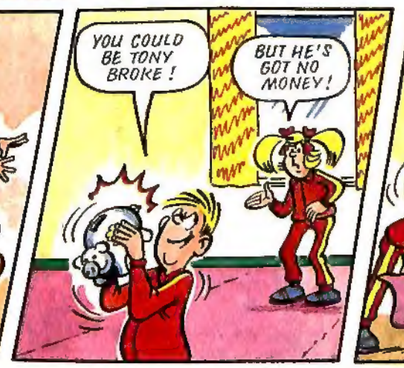
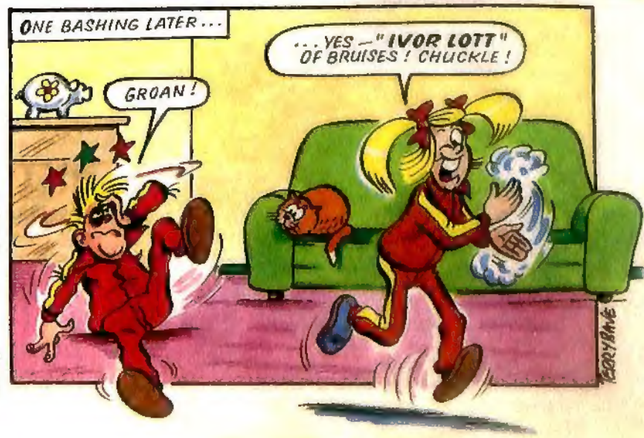
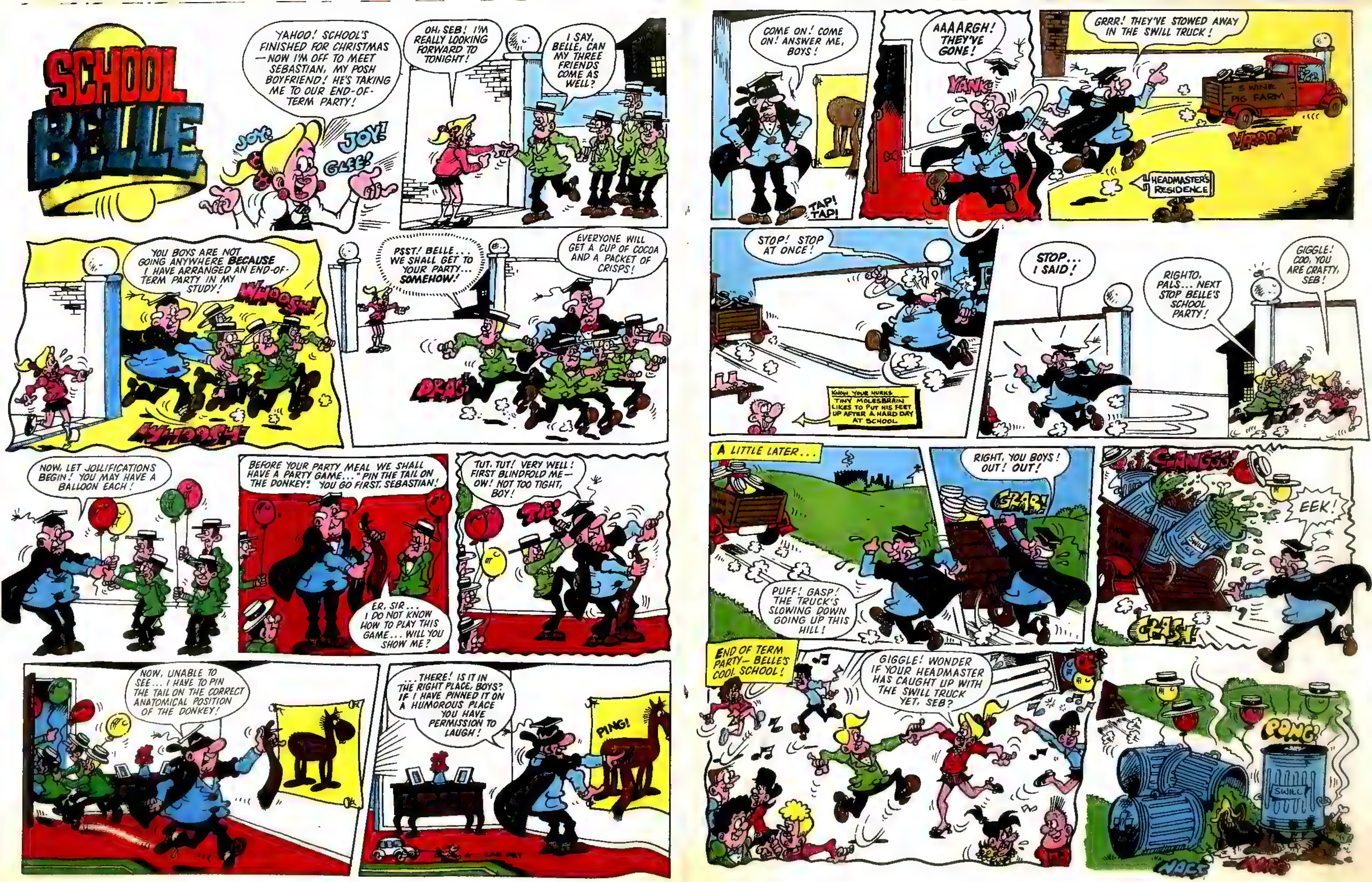





SCHOOL BELLE
YAHOO! SCHOOL'S FINISHED FOR CHRISTMAS — NOW I'M OFF TO MEET SEBASTIAN, MY POSH BOYFRIEND! HE'S TAKING ME TO OUR END-OF-TERM PARTY!
JOY!
JOY!
GLEE!
OH, SEB! I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO TONIGHT!
I SAY, BELLE, CAN MY THREE FRIENDS COME AS WELL?
YOU BOYS ARE NOT GOING ANYWHERE BECAUSE I HAVE ARRANGED AN END-OF-TERM PARTY IN MY STUDY!
WHOOSH!
WHOOSH!
PSST! BELLE... WE SHALL GET TO YOUR PARTY... SOMEHOW!
EVERYONE WILL GET A CUP OF COCOA AND A PACKET OF CRISPS!
DRAT!
NOW, LET JOLLIFICATIONS BEGIN! YOU MAY HAVE A BALLOON EACH!
BEFORE YOUR PARTY MEAL WE SHALL HAVE A PARTY GAME... "PIN THE TAIL ON THE DONKEY!" YOU GO FIRST, SEBASTIAN!
ER, SIR... I DO NOT KNOW HOW TO PLAY THIS GAME... WILL YOU SHOW ME?
TUT, TUT! VERY WELL! FIRST BLINDFOLD ME — OW! NOT TOO TIGHT, BOY!
TIE!
NOW, UNABLE TO SEE... I HAVE TO PIN THE TAIL ON THE CORRECT ANATOMICAL POSITION OF THE DONKEY!
...THERE! IS IT IN THE RIGHT PLACE, BOYS? IF I HAVE PINNED IT ON A HUMOROUS PLACE YOU HAVE PERMISSION TO LAUGH!
PING!
COME ON! COME ON! ANSWER ME, BOYS!
TAP! TAP!
AAAARGH! THEY'VE GONE!
YANK!
GRRR! THEY'VE STOWED AWAY IN THE SWILL TRUCK!
SWINE PIG FARM
VROOOM!
HEADMASTER'S RESIDENCE
STOP! STOP AT ONCE!
KNOW YOUR NURKS
TINY MOLESBRAIN LIKES TO PUT HIS FEET UP AFTER A HARD DAY AT SCHOOL
STOP... I SAID!
RIGHTO, PALS... NEXT STOP BELLE'S SCHOOL PARTY!
GIGGLE! COO, YOU ARE CRAFTY, SEB!
A LITTLE LATER...
PUFF! GASP! THE TRUCK'S SLOWING DOWN GOING UP THIS HILL!
RIGHT, YOU BOYS! OUT! OUT!
SKAR!
SWANGG!
EEK!
SWILL
END OF TERM PARTY— BELLE'S COOL SCHOOL!
GIGGLE! WONDER IF YOUR HEADMASTER HAS CAUGHT UP WITH THE SWILL TRUCK YET, SEB?
PONG!
SWILL

HANDY ANDY

~HIS HAND PICTURES COME TO LIFE!

WOW! ANDY! I'VE FOUND A GOLD BRACELET! LET'S TAKE IT TO THE POLICE! I'LL BET THERE'LL BE A BIG REWARD!

HANG ON... ANYTHING FOUND IN THE PARK IS MINE TO HAND IN!

BAH! IT'S ROLLING DOWN THE HILL, BUT I'LL SOON CATCH IT!

MEANTIME...

I'LL MAKE A HAND-SHADOW OSTRICH!

PHEW! THAT'S A BIT OF LUCK! IT'S STOPPED ROLLING JUST BY THE POND!

HEY! WHO LET YOU IN MY PARK?

YIPPEE! GREAT IDEA OF YOURS, ANDY, TO MAKE AN OSTRICH! WE'LL SHARE THE REWARD!

OH, NO! WE FORGOT OSTRICHES SWALLOW ANYTHING!

GULP!

SPLOSH!

NOW IT'S SITTING ON ME! GERROFF!

IT'S LAID AN EGG ON ME AND HOPPED IT!

BRR!

NO MATTER, CURLY MATE! THERE'S THE BRACELET!

EEK! HELP!

OY! MA! WAIT FOR ME!

CRACK!

HANDY TIPS FROM ANDY

HOW TO FORM A SHADOW PICTURE OF AN OSTRICH

Chalky

I'M QUICK ON THE DRAW!

HE IS, TOO!

I'LL GIVE YOU A FIVER IF YOU CAN GET MY TINKER TO TAKE SOME EXERCISE.

COR! TALK ABOUT A FAT CAT!

COME ON, TINKER! LET'S TAKE A WALK!

IT'S NO GOOD, CHALKY! HE'S TOO HEAVY!

PUSH!

I'VE GOT AN IDEA!

WAIT FOR IT.

LOOK OUT, TINKER! THERE'S A BIG, NASTY DOG BEHIND YOU!

YEAH, YOU'D BETTER SCARPER — QUICK!

OR EVEN... VERY QUICK!

BUT...

HE'S NOT VERY IMPRESSED!

YAWN!

THIS CALLS FOR PLAN "B"!

WIPE!

NO CAT CAN RESIST A TASTY COOKED SALMON!

YOU'RE A GENIUS, CHALKY!

DROOL! SLOBBER!

BAH! HE CAN'T GET UP!

THERE GOES OUR FIVER!

FLOP!

I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE UP YET! IF THERE'S A WAY, THEN WE'RE GOING TO FIND IT!

WIPE!

THEN...

THERE YOU GO, MRS GANNET! WE'LL TAKE HIM ROUND THE BLOCK A COUPLE OF TIMES AND BRING HIM BACK!

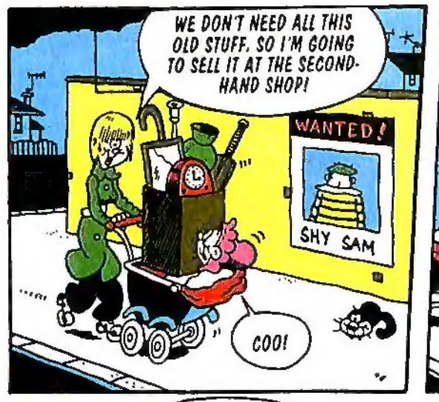
GOSH! I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU DID IT, CHALKY!

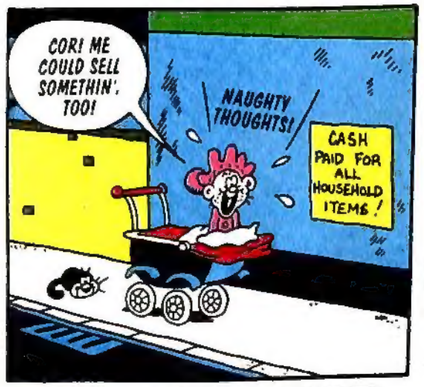
IT WAS EASY— I JUST DESIGNED A LITTLE TROLLEY TO PULL HIM ROUND ON!

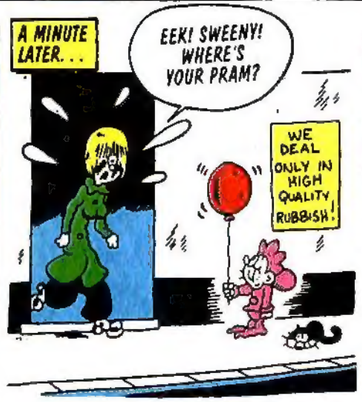
WATFORD GAP
HE'S THE KING OF THE RAP!
I WAS GETTIN' ON DOWN IN GREENLAND, IT WAS JUST THE OTHER DAY...
COOL BOOGIE!
WHEN A FUNKY GUY WITH REINDEER OVERTOOK ME IN HIS SLEIGH
I THOUGHT "IT'S FATHER CHRISTMAS!" BUT A GRISLY THING WITH SORES...
NORTH POLE
TURNED TO ME WITH LONG SHARP NAILS – OH, NO – IT'S SANTA CLAWS!
HIS GNOMES WERE MINDLESS ZOMBIES AND THEY GAVE ME QUITE A FRIGHT...
AS THEY CHASED ME OVER FROZEN WASTES AND THROUGH THE WINTER NIGHT
THEN PENGUINS, ALL ASTONISHED, SAW ME STUMBLE IN THE SNOW
TRIPS!
FLUMP!
THE ZOMBIES POUNCED UPON ME, WRAPPED ME UP FROM HEAD TO TOE
CRUMP!
I COULDN'T SEE, WAS IN THE DARK, I THOUGHT I'D BEEN KIDNAPPED!
BUT I REALLY SHOULD KNOW BETTER – I'D JUST BEEN CHRISTMAS WRAPPED!

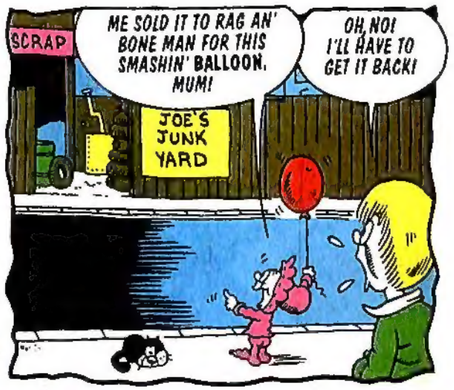
TOY BOY
SANTA'S GROTTO
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO ASK FOR, TOY BOY?
I DON'T KNOW YET!
HURRY UP, GIRL! I HAVEN'T GOT ALL DAY!
AND WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE FOR CHRISTMAS, YOUNG MAN?
ALL THE TOYS IN THIS STORE!
HO, HO, HO!
NEVER MIND LAUGHING! DO I GET THEM OR NOT?
PAT!
IF YOU WON'T GIVE THEM TO ME, THEN TAKE THIS!
OOW!
KICK!
HEY! YOU CAN'T KICK FATHER CHRISTMAS!
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE, AS WELL!
OUCH!
KICK!
...AND WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE, TOY BOY?
WHISPER... WHISPER...
A FEW MOMENTS LATER...
YOUR SHOELACE IS UNDONE!
IS IT?
HE'S ALL YOURS!
THANK YOU!
CREEP!
HEH, HEH! I GAVE FATHER CHRISTMAS A PRESENT, INSTEAD ...BY SETTING THAT BULLY UP!
OOF!

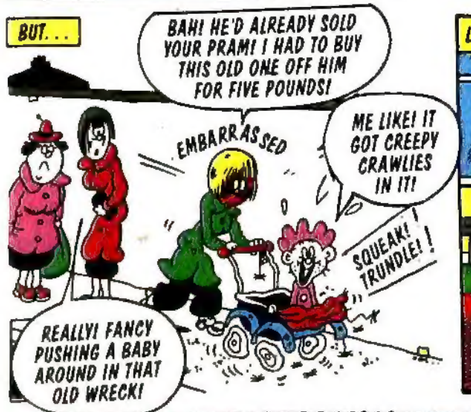
Sweeny Toddler

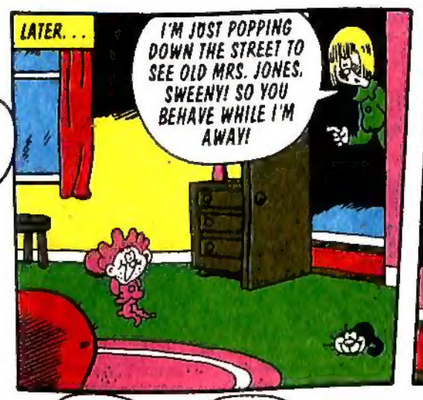


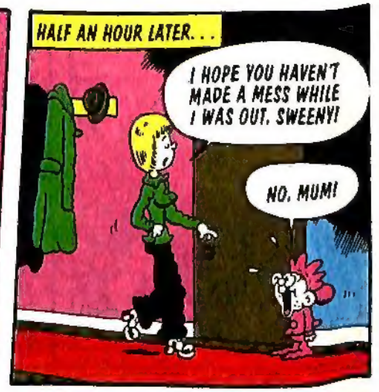


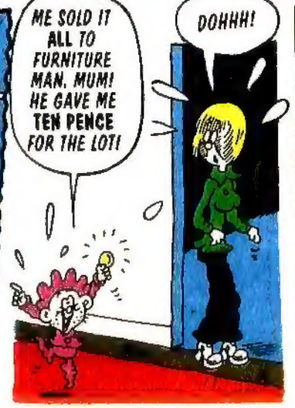


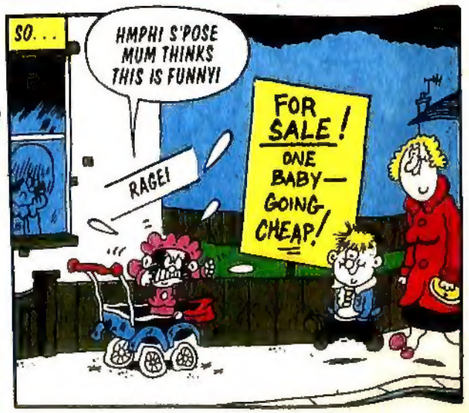












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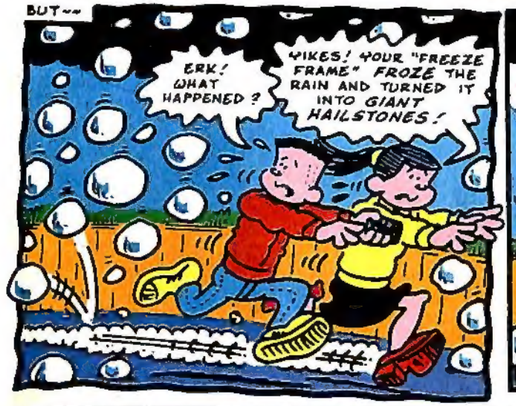

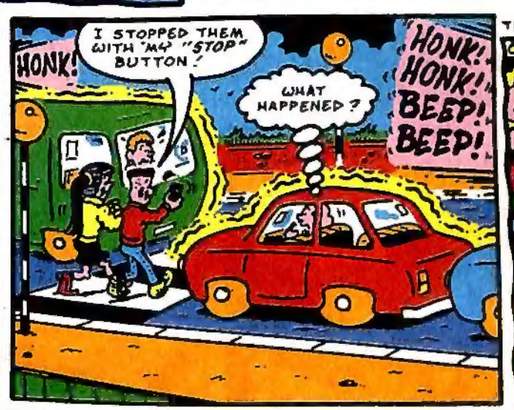

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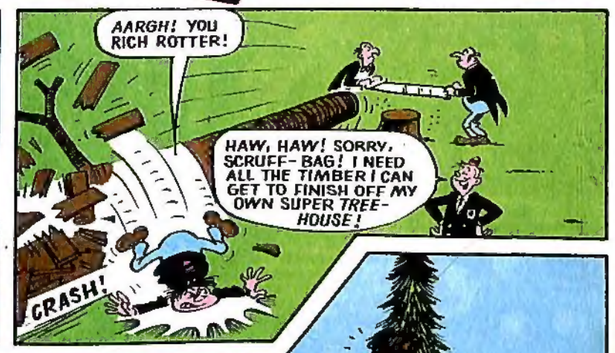
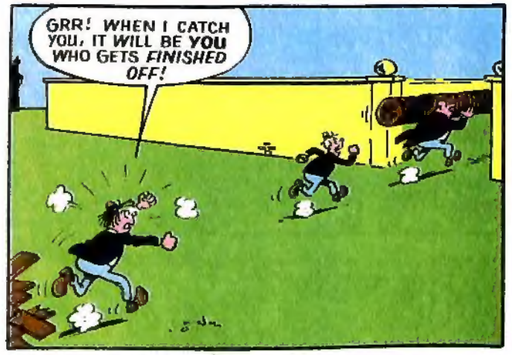
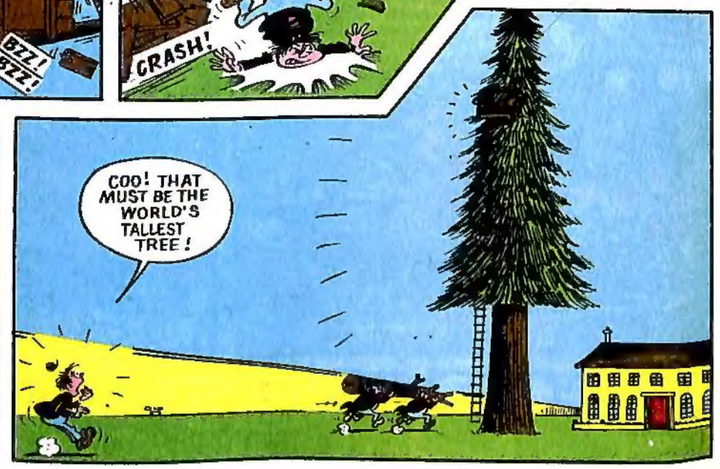
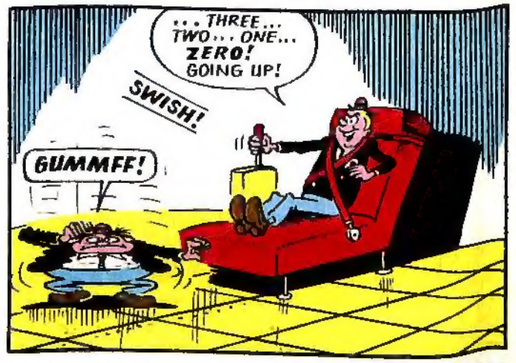
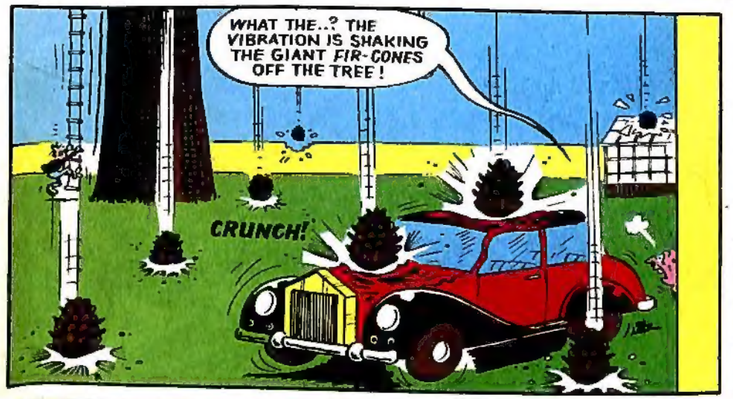
IVOR LOTT and Tony Broke

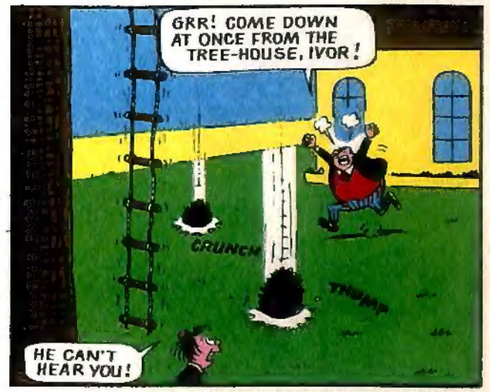


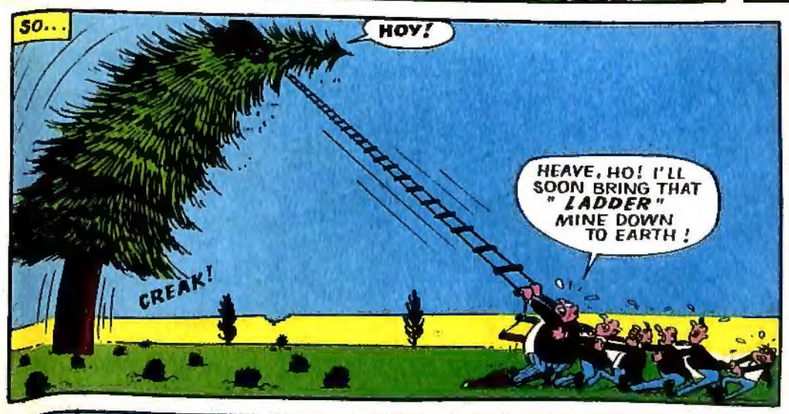


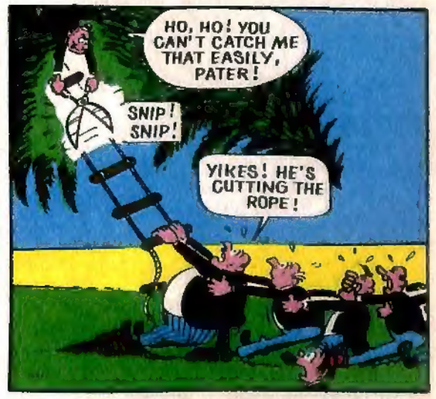


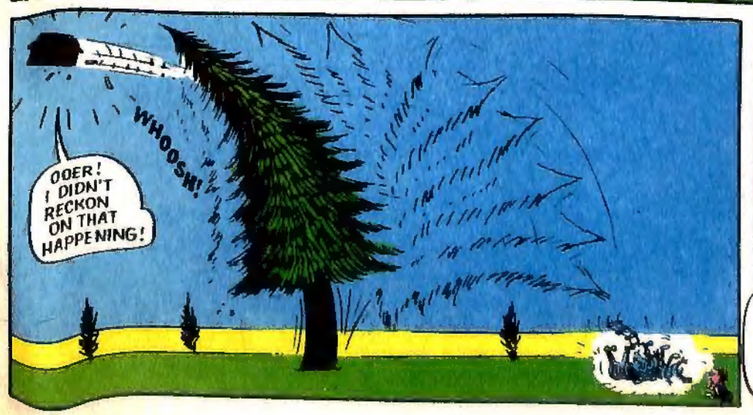












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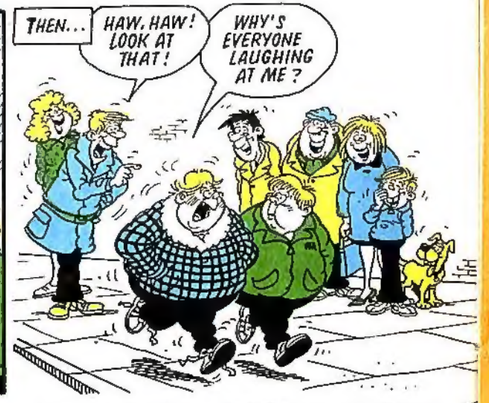

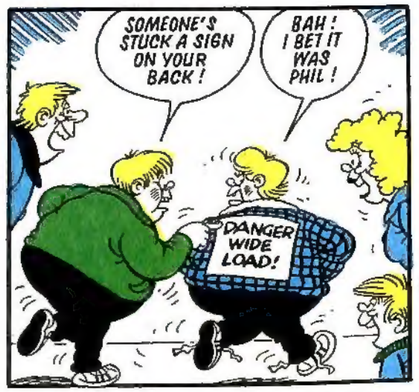

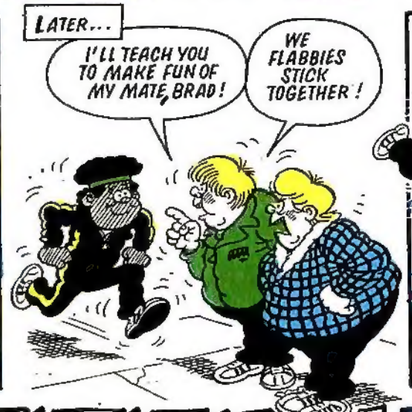

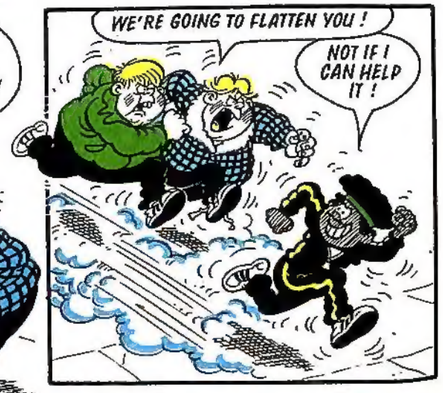

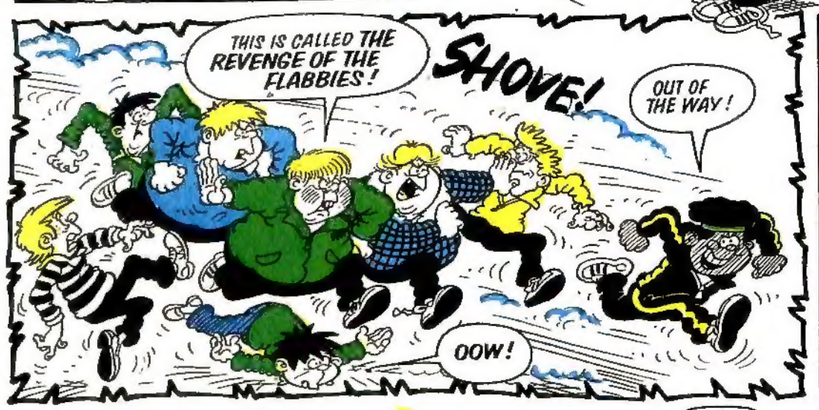

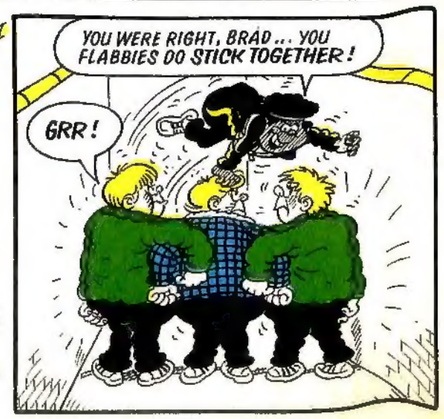

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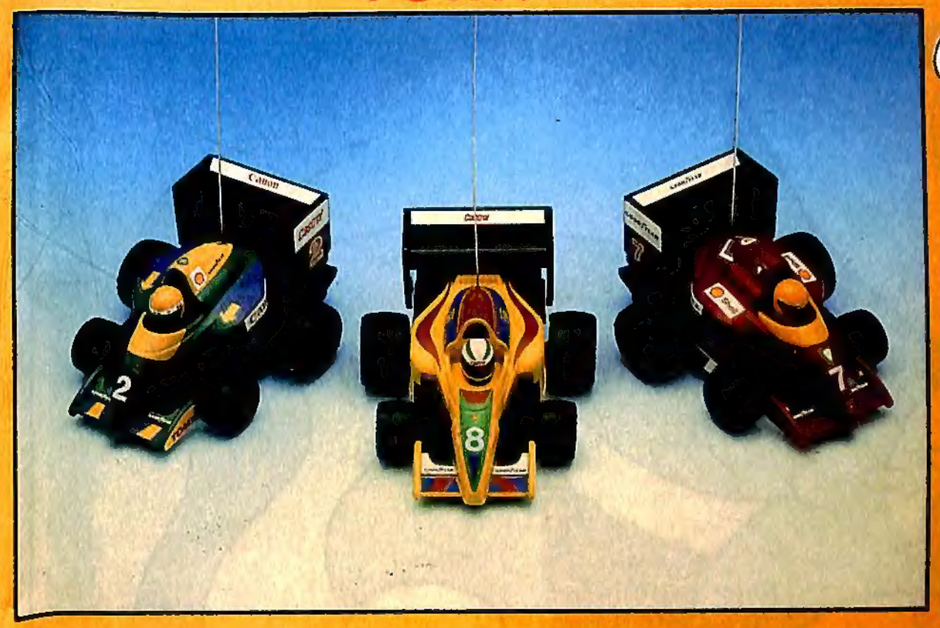

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